

REMARKS

Further to the Amendment filed August 29, 2006, a couple of errors regarding the amendments to the claims have been noted, and this Supplemental Amendment is presented to correct those errors, as explained below.

First, although inadvertently labeled as "original" claim 2 was "currently amended" in the Amendment filed August 29, 2006. Furthermore, an error has been noted with respect to the omission of the number "1" in the last line of claim 2, which is now corrected in this Supplemental Amendment.

Next, claim 5 was amended in the Amendment in the Amendment filed August 29, 2006 as is clear from review of page 3 of the Amendment, but the descriptor was set forth as "original". Claim 5 is set forth herein as previously amended in view of the amendments that were shown in the Amendment filed August 29, 2006.

In the previous amendment of claim 8, at line 9 of amended claim 8 (see page 4 of the Amendment), it was intended to replace the term "contains" with the term -- containing --, but the latter term was omitted. Therefore, claim 8 is further amended herein to include the term -- containing -- with reference to the third reagent.

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Entry of the noted amendments is respectfully requested to place the claims in proper form, further to the Amendment filed August 29, 2006.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of pending claims 1 - 23 of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby earnestly solicited.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.


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